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The Native Village of Gambell was very disappointed to see that the Gambell Evacuation Road Project was removed from the Draft 2006-2008 STIP. Kawerak, on our behalf, has been working with the DOT&PF for over a year in developing an agreement to do the design work for the project. And now, the project has stalled. This project is essential to the safety of the Gambell residents.

During an event a storm should occur that results in flooding, the community of Gambell will be cut off from main escape routes.

The existing condition of our evacuation road further congests any throughway that already results in its normal operable condition, and in minor traffic.

We are very fortunate to have the insight of those involved in the origination of the evacuation road in Gambell as well as locating it in its present site.

For the well-being of the residents of Gambell, it is essential that a redesign/construction of our evacuation road be implemented.

Please reconsider the exclusion of the Gambell Evacuation Road Project from the STIP, as it is vital in ensuring the safety and well-being of the residents of Gambell.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments and concerns.

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